

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Irrigation & CAD Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Deputy Executive Engineer, Office of the Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmagarimatam, Kadapa District and presently working in the Office of the C&B Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District – Departmental proceedings initiated - Case was entrusted to Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings - Disagreement factors communicated – Representation of the charged officer was obtained - Impose the punishment of reduction by two stages in the present scale of pay against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer – Orders – Issued.

IRRIGATION & C.A.D. (IW:SERVICES-VI(1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 79.

Dated 24-07-2010.

Read the following:-

1. From the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Dept., Hyderabad, Proceedings No.Rc.ENC/S1(4)/10150/05, dated 01-04-2005.
2. From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter Rc.No.63/RCT-TCD/2005, dated 30-09-2005.
3. Govt. Letter No.14201/Ser.VI(1)/2005-11, dated 21-03-2007.
4. Govt. Memo.No.14201/Ser.VI(1)/2005-13, dated 25-08-2007.
5. From the Secretary, Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings, Hyderabad, Letter Dis.No.S/33/2008, dated 09-09-2008.
6. Govt. Memo.No.14201/Ser.VI(1)/2005-14, dated 16-12-2008.
7. Explanation from Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer, dated 29-01-2009.
8. Govt. Letter No.14201/Ser.VI(1)/2005- 21, dated 31-03-2010.
9. From the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad, Letter No.554/RT-I/1/2010, dated 24-04-2010.

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ORDER:

Sri G.Venkataramaiah, In-charge Dy.Executive Engineer of Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmagarimatam of Telugu Ganga Project Division, Badvel was trapped red handedly by the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities at his residence D.No.1/1745, Poosalaveedi, Yerramukkapally, Kadapa Town. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau has informed that the Dy.Executive Engineer Sri G.Venkataramaiah had demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs.3,000/- as illegal gratification from the complainant of Sri V.Jayarama Reddy for doing an official favour pending with him. Accordingly in the reference 1st read above, orders were issued placing Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer (I/c), of Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmagarimatam, Telugu Ganga Project Division, Badvel of Superintending Engineer, Telugu Ganga Project Circle, Kadapa under suspension in public interest with effect from 30-03-2005 A.N., under sub rule 1 (c) of the rule 8 of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad has recommended to prosecute the accused officer Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer, Telugu Ganga Project, Brahmagarimatam, Kadapa District in a Court of Law for the offence punishable under sections 7, 13 (2) read with 13(1)(d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

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3. In the reference 3rd read above, while enclosing the Part-B report in respect of Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer, the Secretary, Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings, Hyderabad was informed that the Government have taken a decision to entrust the case to Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings and requested to take necessary action in the matter, as per G.O.Ms.No.677, General Administration (Ser.D) Department, dated 30-05-1961.
4. In the reference 4th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad was directed to reinstate Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer, Telugu Ganga Project, Brahmanagarimatam, Kadapa District into service without prejudice to the disciplinary proceedings pending against him and post him to a far off non-focal post.
5. In the reference 5th read above, the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings, Hyderabad in its Enquiry Report have finding that as regards the involvement of the charged officer in this case, the counsel depended upon the evidence of PW-1. From the reading of PW-1's evidence, it is evident that there was enmity between the charged officer and Asst. Engineer Sri Dasaratha Rami Reddy. It has also come in "Eenadu" newspaper dated 04-03-2005 that there was cold war between the two. The defence of animosity set up by the charged officer stands established by the evidence of PW-1. It is, therefore, evident that the prosecution has failed to establish the official favour pending with the charged officer. Consequently, the charge is not proved.
6. While furnishing a copy of the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceeding's report along with disagreement factors under Rule 21(2) of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, the charged officer Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer, Telugu Ganga Project, Brahmanagarimatam, Kadapa District was requested to submit his explanation within 15 days from the date of receipt of the Govt. Memo., vide reference 6th read above.
7. In the reference 7th read above, the charged officer has requested to drop all proceedings on humanitarian grounds and to regularize his suspension period as on duty as he is honest and innocent in the allegations.
8. After examining the explanation of the charged officer, Government have observed that there is nothing in the replies of the charged officer that unsettles the preponderance of probability, that the charged officer had demanded and accepted Rs.3,000/- from the complainant, for doing an official favour of check measuring the measurement books for the contract work done by the complainant, with regard to white washing of TGP Quarters at Brahmanagarimatam. Therefore, Government have taken a provisional decision to impose a major penalty of reduction by two stages in the present scale of pay against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer, Office of the Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmanagarimatam, Kadapa District and presently working in the Office of the C&B Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District. Accordingly, the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad was requested to obtain the concurrence of the Commission on the proposed major penalty i.e., reduction by two stages in the present scale of pay against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer, Office of the Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmanagarimatam, Kadapa District and presently working in the Office of the C&B Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District vide reference 8th read above.

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9. In the reference 9th read above, the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad has informed that as per Commission's Regulations 17(2)(h), it is not necessary to send the proposal for Commission's concurrence, in which an enquiry has been held by the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings.

10. Government have examined the entire matter carefully and decided to impose a penalty of reduction by two stages in the present scale of pay against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer, Office of the Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmagarimatam, Kadapa District and presently working in the Office of the C&B Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District. Accordingly, it is hereby ordered to impose a penalty of reduction by two stages in the present scale of pay against Sri G.Venkataramaiah, formerly Dy.Executive Engineer, Office of the Telugu Ganga Project Sub-Division No.1, Brahmagarimatam, Kadapa District and presently working in the Office of the C&B Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District

11. The receipt of the G.O., may please be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.P.TUCKER
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri G.Venkataramaiah, Dy.Executive Engineer, Office of the C&B
Sub-Division No.3, N.S.R.S.Srisailem Project, Kurnool District thro' the
Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Dept., Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), I & CAD Dept., Hyderabad.
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,
A.P.Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.
The Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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